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FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE FIRST GOI STATEMENT
ON THE COUP IN BANGLADESH AS PUBLISHED IN THE
PRESS AUGUST 17:

QUOTE THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA IS CAREFULLY STUDYING
REPORTS OF RECENT EVENTS IN BANGLADESH AND WATCHING
DEVELOPMENTS. WE CANNOT REMAIN UNAFFECTED BY THESE
POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN A NEIGHBOURING COUNTRY BUT
THEY ARE INTERNAL MATTERS OF BANGLADESH.

QUOTE REPORTS OF THE KILLING OF POLITICAL LEADERS
AND THEIR FAMILIES HAVE COME AS A GREAT SHOCK. WE
ARE DEEPLY GRIEVED BY THE TRAGIC DEATH OF SHEIKH
MUJIBUR RAHMAN WHO LED THE NATIONAL STRUGGLE FOR
LIBERATION WITH STEADFASTNESS AND COURAGE. WE HELD
HIM IN HIGH ESTEEM IN INDIA AS ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING
PERSONALITIES OF OUR TIME.

QUOTE THE PEOPLE OF INDIA ARE COMMITTED TO A VISION
OF COOPERATION AND FRIENDSHIP AMONG THE COUNTRIES OF
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